

10-357 Office of the Secretary

The mission of the Office of the Secretary is to provide a comprehensive management support system to the offices of the Department of Social Services and to other consumers of its services, and to provide licensing and rate setting services for mandated providers.

The goals of the Office of the Secretary are:

1. To provide overall direction and administrative support to the Department of Social Services (DSS).
2. To conduct a licensing program for DSS that will give a measure of protection to the children and adults of this state who are in care on a regular or consistent basis in those facilities that are required to be licensed by DSS.
3. To establish fair per diem rate for 24-hour substitute care providers in programs such as residential treatment facilities, independent and transitional living programs, private foster care providers and therapeutic family care providers.

The Office of the Secretary consists of a single program, Executive and Administrative Support. The former Licensing and Rate Setting Program, Program B, has been combined into the Executive and Administrative Support Program, pursuant to approval granted by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget in October of 1998.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 1999- 2000	ACT 11 2000 - 2001	EXISTING 2000 - 2001	CONTINUATION 2001 - 2002	RECOMMENDED 2001 - 2002	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$6,245,427	\$6,723,888	\$6,503,888	\$6,547,540	\$6,372,682	(\$131,206)
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	22,903,885	22,298,448	22,860,448	24,220,381	23,968,142	1,107,694
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	398,182	518,432	518,432	518,432	506,758	(11,674)
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$29,547,494	\$29,540,768	\$29,882,768	\$31,286,353	\$30,847,582	\$964,814
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Executive and Administrative Support	\$29,547,494	\$29,540,768	\$29,882,768	\$31,286,353	\$30,847,582	\$964,814
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$29,547,494	\$29,540,768	\$29,882,768	\$31,286,353	\$30,847,582	\$964,814
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENTS: Classified	345	290	303	303	297	(6)
Unclassified	4	3	3	3	3	0
TOTAL	349	293	306	306	300	(6)

This agency's recommended appropriation includes \$4,131 for short-term debt, including Lease Purchase agreements.

This agency does not have any long-term debt for Fiscal Year 2001-2002.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

State General Fund (Direct)	\$ 337,928
State General Fund by:	
Interagency Transfers	\$ 1,137,488
Fees and Self-generated Revenues	\$ 33,189
Total	\$1,508,605